



HAZARDOUS MATERIAL MINIMIZATION EFFORTS in PAINTS and COATINGS U.S. ARMY AVIATION and MISSILE COMMAND

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AMCOM Effort



- ★Identify Applicable Aviation and Missile Command (AMCOM) missile system maintenance documentation
- *Review documentation by system
- **★Subdivide identified HMs by functional class** and application
- **★ Develop and populate databases**
- **★Evaluate each identified use of material in the weapon system**



Data Evaluation Process



- *Identify pre- and post maintenance processes
- *Identify substrate composition
- **★Identify alternative materials**
 - **% Commercial resources**
 - % Inter and Intra-service research efforts
- **★Evaluate proposed substitutes**
- *Recommend and coordinate proposed changes through all approving parties



Identification of Materials



- **★Technical Data Package / Maintenance**Document Information typically include:
 - Specification data, National Stock Number (NSN)& product name or generic nomenclature
- **★Obtain complete MSDS data**
 - Search HM Information System (HMIS)
 - Search FED-LOG for supplier data
 - Contact supplier(s) for up-to-date MSDS information for each product
- ★Communicate with maintenance depots to identify what they are currently using



PATRIOT - Paints/Coatings, Varnishes & CPCs



- **★593** initial entries for paints/coatings, varnishes & Corrosion Prevention Compounds
 - **Additional requirements identified from TDP drawings**
- **★5 Missile Interim Specifications (MIS)**
- **★25 Military Specifications, 1 Commercial Item**Description
- **★107** primary or alternate NSN



Hazardous Material Breakdown



*Hazardous Solvents

- **% Hazardous Air Pollutants / Air Contaminants (HAPs / HACs)**
- **% Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) content**
 - **** Toluene and/or Xylene**
 - ** Methyl Ethyl Ketone and/or Methyl Isobutyl Ketone (MEK/MIBK)

*Hazardous Metals

% Chromium, Cadmium, Cobalt, Lead, Beryllium

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Hazardous Material Breakdown



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- **★RCRA Characteristics**
 - **% Flashpoint**
 - % pH
 - **% Disposal requirements**
- **★OSHA** Issues
 - **Severe reduction in exposure levels for chromium and cadmium**
 - **%** Additional safety and health and personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements for continued use



Patriot Coating Materials



- **★Conversion Coatings**
- **★Pre-primers**
- **★Primers**
- **★Topcoat**



Chromate Conversion Coating (CCC)



- **★MIL-C-5541 Class 1A or 3: Conversion Coating**
 - **# Hexavalent chromium primary constituent**
 - **# Used on all aluminum components**
- *Alternative Process for Aluminum Armored Vehicles
 - ** Test program coordinated by TACOM anticipated completion Sep 99
 - Developed and tested at Red River Army Depot
 - * Profile surface 2-4 mil with garnet blast & Prime
 - **** Approved for Bradley Family of Vehicles**



Acid Wash Pre-Primer



- **★DoD-P-15328: Acid Wash Pre-Primer** Specification
 - **Contains phosphoric acid and chromates,**
 - **★ 2-component, solvent based**
 - Low pH and low flashpoint
- **★3 alternatives under test at the Army** Research Lab (ARL)
 - **Compatibility with current primers & topcoats**

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- **★Other non-traditional coating systems**
 - * Polyanilines and Sol-Gels



Primers



- **★3 Specifications**
 - # MIL-P-23377: high VOC, solvent based, chromates
 - # MIL-P-53022: low VOC solvent based, no chromates
 - **** Used at depots in place of MIL-P-23377**
 - **% MIL-P-53030:** water reducible, no chromates
- **★Ultimately the selection of which primer to use is up to Project Office**

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Chemical Agent Resistant Coating (CARC)



- **★3** specifications
 - ** MIL-C-46168: 2-component, solvent based, high VOC
 - # MIL-C-53039: single component, solvent based, lower VOC
 - **% MIL-P-64159: water-reducible, new specification**
- **★Ultimately the selection of which CARC to use** is up to Project Office
 - **% MIL-P-64159** will be an option on Bradley
- **★Efforts underway to test and approve powder coat CARC for interior surfaces**

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